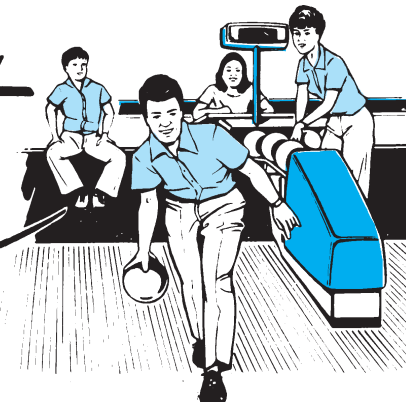


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47 Countries Expected to Compete in World Tenpin Bowling Singles

A total of 47 countries and regions are expected to compete at the inaugural World Tenpin Bowling Association World Singles Championships, which will get underway Wednesday, Sept. 19 with the official practice and the opening ceremonies at Galactica Bowling Center in Limassol, Cyprus.

The countries and regions, who have announced to participate, are Argentina, Austria, Bahrain, Belarus, Belgium, Brazil, Canada,

Catalonia, Colombia, Czech Republic, Denmark, Egypt, England, Finland, Germany, Greece, Hong Kong, Hungary, Iceland, Iraq, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Kuwait, Latvia, Lithuania, Malaysia, Malta, Mexico, Netherlands, Norway, Pakistan, Poland, Qatar, Romania, Russia, Scotland, Serbia, Singapore, Slovakia, Sweden, Tunisia, Ukraine, UAE, United States, Venezuela, and the host country Cyprus.

The bowling center's 24 lanes

are divided into two floors of 12 lanes each. Men and women will bowl on separate floors. Maximum two men and two women from each country are eligible to compete in the six-day event. Each player must have reached the age of 15 years on January 1, 2012.

All games will be played on one lane condition selected by the WWC technical delegate, Pini Hershkoviz of Israel, from a bank of WTBA oil patterns.

After four days of qualifying from Thursday, Sept. 20 to Sunday, Sept. 23, featuring two six-game blocks, the top 24 will advance to

single-elimination match-play bracket to bowl for the title in best-of-five game matches Monday and Tuesday, Sept. 24-25. The top eight qualifiers receive one bye.

The field will be cut to 16, eight, four and then two players who will determine the champion in the gold medal match. The semifinal losers will share the bronze medal.

Live streaming starts on Thursday, Sept. 20 with the first qualifying squad at 9 a.m. Cyprus time at new.livestream.com.

Beginning in 2012, the World Singles Championships will be held every four years.

IN THE NEWS

Plaza Lanes Breaks All-Star Record for Team Series at Wayne Bowl

BY ART SCHROEDER, *Bowler's Digest* Contributor

The Detroit All-Star Classic, into its 78th season of competition, witnessed a new record-holder in Plaza Lanes. Plaza shattered the record for team high series by rolling a masterful 3828 set on games of 1310-1295-1223.

Nick Wissinger fell just one pin short of tying the all-time individual series by stroking 858 with games of 279-279-300. Just two stubborn 10-pins kept him from the mighty hat trick of 300.

Randy Warnken chipped in 300 in 835, and Plaza's other teammates that rocked Wayne Bowl were Larry Walker 768, Dave Tulak 691 and Mitch Jabczynski 676.

Ronnie Sparks Jr. rolled 802 as 2 Booli/Maximum Potent-

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Detroit Bowling Hall of Fame Adds Six New Members

The Detroit Bowling Hall of Fame Committee, a committee of the Metro Detroit USBC Association (MDUSBC), has elected six new members to its Hall of Fame and named three others for special awards. This will increase the number of hall of fame members to 243.

Michelle Ewald of Clinton Township, David Ewald of Macomb, Michael Clemence of Las Vegas, Rick Capaldi of Canton, Randy Shank of Sterling Heights and Mark Voight of Farmington Hills earned their place in the prestigious hall. Libbi Fletcher of Warren, Aileen Hnidy

of Madison Heights and Vicki Ingham of Novi will receive special awards.

Michelle Ewald's career started as a youth bowler when she won 21 Michigan Junior Masters Association (MJMA) titles, 15 Junior Tournament Bowling Association of Ohio (JTBA) titles, was named MJMA Bowler of the Year in 1995 and 1996, and was named JTBA Bowler of the Year in 1996.

In 1991 Michelle became the first female youth bowler to bowl a 300 game in Detroit and only the second female youth in Michigan.

In 1993 she was honored with

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Pete Weber to
Join 'PBA50'
Tour in 2013

PBA Hall-of-Famer Pete Weber of St. Ann, Mo., is ready to join the PBA50 Tour after celebrating his 50th birthday on Aug. 21.

Weber, the winner of 35 PBA Tour titles (fourth on the all-time list) and a record 47 PBA Regional titles, is the only player in history to win five U.S. Open titles. He has bowled in 726 PBA Tour tournaments in a career that began at age 17 in 1979 — when he became the youngest player ever to win a PBA Regional title (St. Louis, 1979). He also is the youngest United States Bowling Congress member to bowl a 300 game in his first game as a certified adult league bowler, a feat he accomplished at age 15 in St. Louis.

Weber, who will begin his 34th season as a PBA Tour competitor when PBA World Series of Bowling IV gets underway Nov. 2-11 in Las Vegas, is expected to make his debut on the newly-renamed PBA50 Tour (formerly PBA Senior Tour) in the spring of 2013. Next year's PBA50 Tour schedule will be announced later in the fall. The PBA's 50-and-older players have completed their 2012 season.

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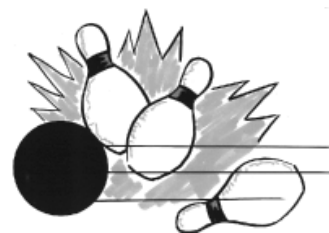
• **THUNDERBOWL LANES**, 4200 Allen Rd., Allen Park. "Cosmic Bowling" is available on Friday and Saturday nights. Cosmic pricing includes 3 hours of bowling, unlimited FREE arcade play and music videos on large screen TVs. Sessions start at 10 p.m. The price is \$15 per person plus \$3 for shoes. For more information, call (313) 928-4688.

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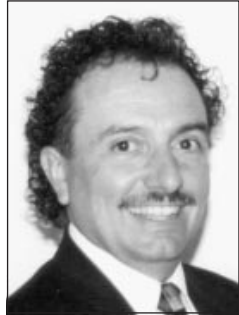
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METRODETROIT USBC NEWS

By Association Manager
Mark A. Martin

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• **THIS IS THE** start of a new and exciting season. With every new season come a variety of challenges including new teams to replace those that have moved on or leagues that have less teams than anticipated.

It is very important that new teams are welcomed by the existing teams. The strongest leagues are those that have a competitive spirit along with sportsmanship. So if you're one of the returning teams why not go up to the new kids on the block and simply say, "Hi. We're glad you're here and if there's anything we can do to help please let us know."

For those leagues that maybe have lost a few teams, there's still hope. Just because the season has started doesn't mean you can't add on. Encourage everyone in the league to talk it up among their circle of friends and co-workers. You'd be surprised how the situation can improve with a little work from everyone. Don't forget to talk with your proprietor about calls they may have had. Most of all don't be afraid of asking for help. A strong league is a benefit to all.

Generally speaking each league has a signed contract with the bowling center they bowl at. This contract is a legal and binding agreement that spells out the terms of the agreement. Some of the terms include price, number of teams, number of weeks, starting date, ending date and any other agreed upon items.

When something changes which affects the contract it is imperative that the league officials immediately enter into discussions with their proprietor to resolve. Failure to communicate can cause some serious problems.

Let's have a great season!

*** LEAGUE CERTIFICATIONS COMING IN

• **HAS YOUR** league certified on time this year? Each year a number of leagues don't attend to this requirement and lose precious benefits as a result. This is the time of year that all leagues should be sure that your certification application, membership

application cards and money has been turned in to the Metro Detroit USBC Association. One of the key points for leagues to be eligible for full bonding and award protection is to file your certification application within 30 days of the league start date.

If you have a question about whether your league application has been filed, please call the Association office at (888) 753-6350.

Las Vegas to Host World Senior Championships

ARLINGTON, Texas — The inaugural World Tenpin Bowling Association World Senior Championships will be held at Red Rock Lanes in Las Vegas, Nevada, United States next year.

The event, which will feature the world's top bowlers age 50 and older, will take place Aug. 10-16 at the Red Rock Resort, just before the 2013 WTBA World Championships.

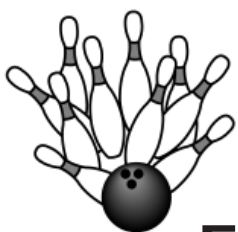
"This will be the first opportunity for senior bowlers to win world champion medals," WTBA President and CEO Kevin Dornberger said. "Red Rock is one of the most stunning bowling centers in the entire world, and we look forward to them hosting the best senior bowlers in the world."

The format on the World Senior Championships will pattern after the WTBA World Youth Championships, with four men and four women eligible from each country. The competitors will face off for medals in singles, doubles, team, all-events and Masters.

The 72-lane Red Rock Lanes opened in 2007 to much fanfare as one of the most expensive bowling centers ever built. Red Rock Vice President Bryan Lindsey said they look forward to hosting the World Senior Championships.

"When the top senior bowlers in the world descend upon Las Vegas for the World Senior Championships, they will have a world-class experience at Red Rock Resort," Lindsey said. "Red Rock Lanes is second to none with cutting edge technology, sharp decor and one-of-a-kind VIP lanes."

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Ebonite All-Stars Off to Strong Start with 16 Teams at Thunderbowl

• THE EBONITE All-Stars, bowling on Tuesday evenings at Thunderbowl Lanes in Allen Park, have completed their third week of bowling.

Each year the league has gotten stronger, and this year is no exception with 16 quality teams. Several prominent bowlers in Metropolitan Detroit have joined the league. Not a complete list, but some examples follow:

Cliff Outley comes to the league with a book 226 average and joins Lew Ansara's Red Robin Restaurants team. Mason Brantley has revamped his team with only Jeff Hicks remaining from last year. He added Alex Robinson and Brian Odom, both mid-230 bowlers, plus Ken Rogers, one of the best anchors in the league. Newcomers Ed Holsey and Ralph McAfee joined the

team captain Adam Sordyl.

The all-female team is basically the same, but added Lisa Fogel, who comes to the league with a 221 average and distinguished herself last week with the high ladies series of 726 on games of 259-244-223.

Romulus Auto Supply added Colin Zurenko who was in the league a few years ago. The DiLaura Brothers team has added Josh Chaney who won the Junior Championship at Thunderbowl Lanes last year and comes to the league with a 217 average.

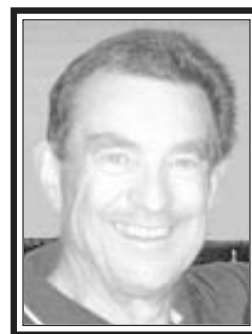
Perennial contender "Team 3" has added Dave Krivitz sporting a book 228 average. In the past week anchor man for Team 3, Larry Walker, shot the high men's series this season of 802 on games of 280-255-267.

Three completely new teams have joined the league. The team sponsored by

Thunderbowl Lanes includes Captain Ronnie Sparks sporting a high league average of 243. Ronnie just bowled in the Scratch Eliminator Tournament at the Legacy Lanes in Pittsburgh, Pa., and beat Ryan Cimanelli, a PBA exempt player, and Brandon Novak for the \$4,000 first-place prize.

He is joined by Patrick Rawls, John Bolden III, Rodney Morrow and Charles McLeod, all mid-220 bowlers. Jason Bray brings his team to the league. He is joined by Ron Schuster, Tony Pate, Ben Neuman and Kirk Sauro. Lastly, Mike Norris at anchor, is joined by Kyle Bluebaugh, Ron Blow, Alec Huet and Darrin Greene.

The Financial Strategies, Inc. team has added Gerald "Stroker" Johnson and Brian Whitsett. As most of know, Stroker has been dominant in the senior events around town. Mitch Jabczenski Sr. has added Scott Bowersock, a left-hander with a 231 average, as an addition to his always competi-



By TOM STROBL

Bowler's Digest Contributor

tive team. In the past week Mitch had a 732 series that was complimented by Eddie Mintz's 793.

In the past week the high scratch games were Pete Kaczmarczyk and Ronnie Sparks with 300 in the first and second games and Brian Odom with a 290 in the third game. As mentioned, Lisa Fogel had the high scratch series of 726, which included the high scratch game of 259 for the ladies.

The league is just getting off the ground but Barmatic, captained by Charlie Cassise Sr., leads the league with a 14-1 record.

• THE PBA Pro Tour will be at Thunderbowl Lanes Jan. 20-27, 2013. The ESPN finals will include a live television show and five tapings of shows to be shown through the winter season.

On Saturday, Jan. 26, 2013 Thunderbowl will host a "rabbit squad" in which up to eight entries will be issued to the top scoring participants. More details will follow.

El Paso to Host USBC Open Championships in 2015

ARLINGTON, Texas - The 2015 United States Bowling Congress Open Championships is headed to El Paso, Texas, marking the first time in a decade the tournament will travel to a brand new host city.

The 2015 event will be the 112th edition of the USBC Open Championships, which has been held in 48 cities in 26 states since its inception in 1901. The last time the tournament ventured to a new city was 2005, when it was held in Baton Rouge, La., also its first visit to Louisiana.

Surveys show that many Open Championships bowlers like to see new cities, and the 2005 event featured a sellout field of 13,222 five-player teams.

"The city of El Paso really rolled out the red carpet for the bowlers and staff during the Women's Championships in 2010, and we're excited about being able to return with the Open Championships in 2015," said USBC Executive Director Stu Upson. "The event has been to many different places over the years, and it will be great to add another amazing city to the list."

After a successful 2010 USBC Women's Championships at the El Paso Convention and Performing Arts Center, the city of El Paso made a strong proposal to hold the 2015 Open Championships in the same venue. The offer was accepted with the full support of the USBC Board of Directors.

"The venue in El Paso played a huge role in the history of the Women's Championships as the event's first convention-center build," said Brian Lewis, USBC's Managing Director of Tournaments. "Along with the Intercollegiate Team Championships, Queens and other events, our previous stay in El Paso couldn't have been any smoother, and we know our return to El Paso will be another success."

Known as "The Sun City" because of more than 300 days of sunshine each year, El Paso treated the bowlers and their families to a fantastic experience during the 2010 Women's Championships, and officials are confident that Open Championships bowlers will have the same great stay in west Texas.

"Hosting the 2010 Women's Championships was a very special and rewarding opportunity for El Paso, and we look forward to showing the Open Championships competitors what The Sun City has to offer," said Bill Blaziek, general manager of the El Paso Convention and Visitors Bureau. "We learned a lot last year, and we hope to make USBC's next visit even more memorable."

For more information or to register for the Open Championships, visit BOWL.com/openchamp.

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Apr. 7	Thunderbowl Lanes	10 am
May 5	Sunnybrook Lanes	10 am
June 2	300 Bowl	10 am
Aug. 4	Plaza lanes	10 am
Sept. 22	Mayflower Lanes	10 am
Oct. 6	Cherry Hill lanes	10 am
Nov. 3	5 Star Lanes	10 am
Dec. 1	Sunnybrook Lanes	12 pm
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It was SUPER!

Early in the summer, at a committee meeting for the Gavie Tournament, Lori (Tessmar) Mraz asked for support for the Super Show that was to be conducted in the fall.

Last year, the show was held the weekend of the Gavie, but attendance wasn't quite what everyone preferred, so the date was pushed back into September. Lori requested a presence by the Metro Detroit USBC/USBC to provide insight to bowlers as to what benefits are provided by their membership, as well as an opportunity to talk to bowlers about the association and our events and tournaments.

This year's show was SUPER. It was conducted on Sept. 8 at Skore Lanes in Taylor and on Sept. 9 at Five Star in Sterling Heights. By having the shows in September, it gave supporters more time to reach

the bowlers, as most of the leagues had begun and Pro Shops were back to regular hours.

Posters were given to the pro shops to hang in their establishments and Mark Martin, Association Manager for Metro Detroit USBC did e-mail blasts to the members with e-mail addresses on file notifying them of the events.

To be honest, I had never attended a trade show like this before. Last year, I was out of town and could not attend, so it was a first even

for me. What a great opportunity!

Bowlers could come and try out new equipment from Storm, Brunswick, Ebonite, Track, 900 Global, Columbia and others. After being fitted properly by the staff members from these manufacturers, bowlers could actually take to the lanes and throw these new balls with guidance from some of the best.

Michigan's own PBA members Tommy Smallwood and Mika Kiovuniemi were in attendance, as well as Tommy Jones, Bill O'Neill, Ryan Shafer, Jodi Woessner and others to assist bowlers with their equipment choices.

USBC Director of Coaching, Carolyn Dorin-Ballard attended and was joined by USBC Gold Coach Lou Marquez from Turbo Tech at Skore and Bob Learn at Five Star Lanes. Unfortunately, bowlers did not take advantage of these incredible teachers, hear the presentations on "Welcome 2 Bowling" for new bowlers, Turbo Tech offerings, and coaching opportunities offered by USBC Coaching. What a missed opportunity!

MDUSBC provided a list of all of the tournaments available for this bowling season, as well as a card depicting all of the programs and services provided by USBC. Again, not many bowlers took advantage of the presentation that Vice President Anita Maiorana and I had prepared for the show

participants.

So how did the show go? I decided to ask a few participants on what was positive about the show, what we could change to make it better, and any other information they would like to share for future shows.

Chris Sand, Regional Sales Manager Storm and Roto Grip:

"We thought it was great. We would like to see pro shops get more involved and bring their customers personally, but if it gets too big we won't have enough balls and grips for everyone. 196 per squad would be a disaster. Personally, if we could do 100 more

people over both days I would consider it a success."

Jeff Edwards, All-Star bowler and working Brunswick:

"Brunswick had a solid turnout last weekend. For some reason Brunswick has developed a pretty negative reputation in the Metro Detroit bowling community and it was great to hear good feedback and a lot of positives from people who came down and threw some of our new balls."

As far as the Demo itself, I think it is a very, very good idea. Where else can you
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Team USA Ready for World Singles

ARLINGTON, Texas — Team USA members Chris Barnes, Tommy Jones, Kelly Kulick and Shannon O'Keefe will travel to Cyprus to take on the best bowlers from 46 other countries this week at the inaugural World Tenpin Bowling Association World Singles Championships.

The event, which will take place at Galactica Bowling Center in Limassol, Cyprus, begins with the opening ceremony Wednesday with competition scheduled to begin Thursday.

"Any time you get to compete and represent your country, it's an incredible honor, and I'm truly blessed to have the opportunity," said O'Keefe, an eight-time Team USA member who won the singles gold medal at the 2007 WTBA World Women's Championships in Monterrey, Mexico. "I have known Kelly, Chris and Tommy a really long time, and I'm looking forward to experiencing Cyprus with them."

All athletes will bowl two six-game blocks of qualifying with the top 24 men and top 24 women advancing to the single-elimination match-play bracket. Once in bracket play, matches will be best-of-five games, which takes place Sept. 24-25. The top eight qualifiers receive one bye.

The final two players in the bracket will battle for the gold with the loser getting the silver. The semifinals losers will share the bronze medals.

The WTBA World Championships for men and women will take place in 2013 in Las Vegas, while the WTBA World Men's Championships will be held in 2014 and the WTBA World Women's Championships will take place in 2015, both in Abu Dhabi, UAE. The cycle begins again in 2016 with the second World Singles Championships.

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"I'd rather be lucky than good," is a phrase you may have heard many times. You

may have uttered it yourself. But can't mean it, or shouldn't believe it. Luck is fine in its place, in the proper perspective.

But you can't practice or learn all about luck and therefore you can't perfect it. That makes luck a fitting and fleeting intangible.

Don't get me wrong. Luck can and does cause a high undeserved game and it may be present for an entire night or throughout a tournament. Luck, in the right place, can produce an incredible game or night or performance. And one lucky shot in the right place might determine a title.

It has often been noted that all the good breaks and bad breaks even out over the long run, though there are few bowlers who feel they will ever get even. But don't ever confuse luck with certain areas of skill such as an overworking hook ball or a dangerous angle akin to the gutter shot or an almost impossible angle.

All the high numbers, averages, money earnings, titles and super credentials were not erected by bricks of luck. Stars of any era would rather be good than lucky and are so much the better for it.

So will you.

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William Edward Staub of New Jersey died recently at age 96. He enjoyed a long list of activities such as building and flying radio controlled airplanes, water skiing, golf and, near the top, was bowling. He was an enthusiastic participant and bowling center



By CHUCK PEZZANO

Bowling Hall-of-Famer and Nationally Syndicated Columnist

owner.

He also headed a number of companies and excelled in the exercise and aerobics field. Staub received a lifetime achievement award from *Health and Fitness* magazine.

He was considered the most influential figures in the development and manufacturing of the home treadmill.

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The most important statistic to any pro bowler is earnings per tournament. The bottom line is how much money you spend to win prize money. Every sport is a challenge and in professional sports such as

bowling, golf, track, rodeo, tennis, horse-shoe pitching and many others that pay prizes to contestants but little in the way of guaranteed fees and salaries are the real gut grabbers. Your living is on the line and it is very difficult to play for pay and not be paid to play.

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The late Bruce Pluckhahn, ace writer and public relations genius for bowling, once pointed out that if you look at attendance figures for sports they often seem staggering. But if you count league and tournament bowlers who roll 30 weeks or more and the thousands of tournament participants the guaranteed attendance figures for bowlers could be 100 million.

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Pro bowlers really aren't all that superstitious, but some claim it is a scientific fact that they roll much better while wearing certain colored uniforms.

Annual 'Super Show' Continues to Grow

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go and practice for two hours, throw a wide variety of different bowling balls, and talk to knowledgeable professionals like Mika, Smallwood, Tommy Jones, etc. for \$15? Nowhere!

Gone are the days of my youth and probably everyone else where you had to shell out \$200 for a new ball on the chance you will like it or work for you. It truly is a great idea. If I would suggest adding 1 thing, it would be to get the High School kids involved.

I would like to see the schools registering both boys and girls teams and get these young people out there and exposure to the market. The price is totally reasonable and we all know that young people are the future of this sport. I really wish more High School kids came out, but I enjoyed talking to the few that did.

Lori (Tessmar) Mraz, President Turbo Bowling Accessories:

"The Super Show is a tremendous value for any bowler interested in learning about the new equipment and wanting to learn a little more about the game.

In addition to all the manufacturer representatives on site, attendees had the opportunity to get on the lanes with World Class Champions like Mika Kiovuniemi, Bill O'Neill, Ryan Shafer, Tommy Jones, Carolyn Dorin-Ballard and Tom Smallwood. For \$15-\$25, bowlers got two hours of bowling and a wealth of information from the manufacturers. Of course, Turbo also had plenty of product samples and grip replacement discount coupons available. There simply isn't another bowling event that offers this much value and fun!

I think timing might have been a little off and scheduled too early in the season. Overall, turnout at both locations was a bit disappointing. Also the Lions Home Opener on a beautiful Sunday afternoon didn't help attendance on Sunday.

I also think there needs to be better communication with bowling proprietors and pro shops as to the intentions and benefits of these shows. The industry has been in such decline for so many years that everyone is so territorial and guarded of their customer. Many comments were made by local pro shops stating, 'I'm not going to send my customers over to a center with a competitor pro shop inside. I don't want them to steal my customer.' Well, the fact is the pro shop in the host center was asked to be closed for the event and not distribute any sales or promotional literature.

Pro shops were also invited to attend for free. They very well could have invited a hand full or two of their very best customers and enjoyed an afternoon on the lanes with their customers showing them the new equipment and introducing them to the factory reps. Huge WOW! factor for any consumer and would go a long way with customer relations. Additionally, pro shops could have used as a sales tool and offered a special discount, let's say rebate \$15 (cost of admission) of purchase of new ball within week or 30 days of show. It cost the pro shop nothing to attend and promote.

Metro Detroit is a huge bowling community and it was big disappointment to say the least that we weren't able to pull off one of the best shows of the season. Last year, The Tampa Super Show logged over 500 bowlers for a day event. We barely got to 250 for two days in the largest bowling market in the country.

Not sure of the direction of the Super Shows for next year but I hope more communication with local centers, pro shops and associations will be organized to reinforce the message and overall benefits to industry, everyone, if we can energize our bowler base with fun and educational events like the Super Show.

So what do you think? Did you attend? If so, what did you think and how could the show be even better next year? If not, would you attend now that you know what the show is all about?

Well I can tell you one thing for sure; this girl will throw some equipment next year! How could I be there all day and now take advantage of it myself?

Thanks to all of the sponsors of the Super Show and to Skore Lanes and 5 Star Lanes for hosting. I see it as a huge success, because whenever bowlers are gathered... it's all good!

Send me your thoughts and comments: Libbi.fletcher@mdsubc.com.

2012 PBA World Series of Bowling Returns to South Point in Las Vegas Nov. 2-11

LAS VEGAS — South Point Bowling Center in Las Vegas will host the fourth annual Professional Bowlers Association World Series of Bowling, a multi-event international competition, Nov. 2-11, that will kick off the 2012-13 PBA Tour season, PBA Commissioner Tom Clark announced.

The 2012 World Series of Bowling, the third consecutive hosted by South Point, will feature four PBA "animal pattern" championships and conclude with the PBA World Championship. The package of events also will include six ESPN television events, plus the 2012 WTBA World Bowling Tour Finals presented by the PBA. Two PBA Regional special events also are in the preliminary planning stage.

"Since its inception in 2009, the PBA World Series has evolved into the true world showcase for bowling that we hoped it would become," Clark said. "Our newly-adopted relationships with the World Tenpin Bowling Association to expand PBA competition around the world will only enhance the drama that will unfold when we return to South Point in November. World Series IV is going to be fun."

The World Series, which last year attracted more than 200 players from a record 15 different countries, will get underway with an open practice session on Friday, Nov. 2. Over the next four days, competitors will bowl eight-game qualifying sessions in the Cheetah, Viper, Chameleon and Scorpion Opens, respectively.

Combined 32-game pinfall from the four animal pattern events also will serve as qualifying scores for the PBA World Championship. The top 24 after 32 games will advance to round robin match play on Nov. 7 and 8. After 24 additional games of match play, the top five players will advance to the stepladder finals.

Television finals for delayed telecast on ESPN will be conducted on specially-installed lanes at South Casino and Hotel. The preliminary schedule calls for the WTBA World Bowling Tour Men's and Women's Finals, Cheetah Open and Viper Open finals to be conducted on Saturday, Nov. 10, with the Scorpion Open, Chameleon Open and PBA World Championship stepladder finals (in two sessions) to be conducted on Sunday, Nov. 11.

PBA UPDATE

'SUPER-SIZED' 2012-13 PBA TOUR INCLUDES 'WINTER SWING' AT THUNDERBOWL LANES

SEATTLE — The Professional Bowlers Association has been “super-sized.”

The upcoming 55th annual PBA Tour season, which includes a “Winter Swing” stop at Thunderbowl Lanes in Allen Park, will be longer. The number of titles up for grabs will be greater. The fields will be

larger. Even the length of many TV shows will be increased.

PBA Commissioner Tom Clark made the announcement that the PBA's historic 2012-13 campaign will run from November's PBA World Series of Bowling IV at South Point Hotel and Casino in Las Vegas through

December 2013 and include up to 40 opportunities for players to win PBA Tour titles.

“This season will be big,” Clark said. “Every year the greatest players in the world produce unforgettable moments in their quest for PBA titles, but the PBA and its fans wanted more. The stage is now set.”

The PBA schedule will include two World Series of Bowling, five major championships, new Winter and Summer Swing open events with multiple titles at stake, and an estimated 15 World Bowling Tour stops that will award PBA Tour titles if won by PBA members and PBA International members.

Approximately 50 hours of action will be televised nationally during the season. Additionally, the PBA's online bowling channel, Xtra Frame, plans more than 200 hours of live coverage.

Clark said the 14-month season will also mean a move towards a regular calendar-year PBA season starting in January, 2014.

Significant highlights from the 2012-13 schedule include:

- The United States Bowling Congress Masters will be held at Brunswick Zone Carolier Lanes in North Brunswick, N.J., in February, the PBA Tournament of Champions will be hosted by long-time PBA host Woodland Bowl in Indianapolis in March, and the 70th U.S. Open will be held at a site to be announced in July 2013.

- The new PBA Winter Swing will be contested in January 20-27 at Thunderbowl Lanes in Allen Park, Mich., host of WSOB I. In addition to four national titles including a revamped PBA Players Championship, the Winter Swing will introduce a significant new format to be announced.

- Ten of the scheduled nationally-televised shows have been increased from 90 minutes to two hours, which means the USBC Masters and PBA Tournament of Champions, among others, will feature five-player stepladder finals instead of four.

- All World Series event finals will return to stepladder formats.

- The PBA Tournament of Champions will return to a traditional limited-field invitational event.

- The World Tenpin Bowling Association's World Bowling Tour points list — based on cumulative totals over a span of two years — will determine the finalists for the men's and women's WBT Finals presented by the PBA which will be held at both WSOB IV and WSOB V.

Also to be announced will be the annual PBA Chris Paul Celebrity Invitational.

Future news releases will also detail the full ESPN and Xtra Frame coverage slates. Additional updates will be posted on pba.com. Also follow the PBA on Twitter @pbatour and on its Facebook page Professional Bowlers Association (PBA). To subscribe to Xtra Frame, visit pba.com.

2012-13 PBA Season Schedule Highlights

Friday, Nov. 2, 2012 - Sunday, Nov. 11, 2012 in Las Vegas, Nev. — PBA World Series of Bowling IV

Friday, Nov. 2, 2012 - Sunday, Nov. 11, 2012 in Las Vegas, Nev. — WSOB Cheetah Open

Sunday, Nov. 4, 2012 - Sunday, Nov. 11, 2012 in Las Vegas, Nev. — WSOB Viper Open

Monday, Nov. 5, 2012 - Sunday, Nov. 11, 2012 in Las Vegas, Nev. — WSOB Chameleon Open

Tuesday, Nov. 6, 2012 - Sunday, Nov. 11, 2012 in Las Vegas, Nev. — WSOB Scorpion Open

Wednesday, Nov. 7, 2012 - Sunday, Nov. 11, 2012 in Las Vegas, Nev. — PBA World Championship

Thursday, Nov. 29, 2012 - Saturday, December 1, 2012 in Tokyo, Japan — Round One's International Japan Cup

PBA Winter Swing

Sunday, Jan. 20, 2013 - Tuesday, Jan. 29, 2013 in Allen Park, Mich. — Carmen Salvino Classic

Sunday, Jan. 20, 2013 - Tuesday, Jan. 29, 2013 in Allen Park, Mich. — Mark Roth Classic

Sunday, Jan. 20, 2013 - Tuesday, Jan. 29, 2013 in Allen Park, Mich. — Don Carter Classic

Sunday, Jan. 20, 2013 - Tuesday, Jan. 29, 2013 in Allen Park, Mich. — PBA Players Championship

Monday, Feb. 18, 2013 - Sunday, Feb. 24, 2013 in North Brunswick, N.J. — United States Bowling Congress Masters

Tuesday, March 26, 2013 - Sunday, March 31, 2013 in Indianapolis, Ind. — PBA Tournament of Champions

PBA Summer Swing

Sunday, May 19, 2013 - Monday, May 27, 2013 in TBA, USA

Sunday, July 21, 2013 - Sunday, July 28, 2013 in TBA, USA — 70th U.S. Open

Friday, Nov. 01, 2013 - Sunday, Nov. 10, 2013 in TBA, USA — PBA World Series of Bowling V

Wednesday, Nov. 27, 2013 - Saturday, Nov. 30, 2013 in Tokyo, Japan — Round One's International Japan Cup

PBA Senior Tour to Become 'PBA50 Tour' Beginning with 2013 Season

DECATUR, Ill. — The Professional Bowlers Association Senior Tour will be re-named as the PBA50 Tour beginning with the 2013 season, PBA Commissioner Tom Clark announced today from the PBA Senior Decatur Open presented by Brunswick, the concluding tournament of the 2012 Senior Tour season.

“The word ‘senior’ is outdated and the title PBA50 more accurately reflects the vibrancy of the players and our competition in this age group,” Clark said.

The change in name is underscored by the continuing stream of stars to the over-50 circuit.

During the 2012 season alone, players including Lennie Boesch Jr., Mike Edwards, Bob Learn Jr. and Amleto Monacelli immediately won titles in their first year of Senior Tour eligibility. Monacelli, the 2012 Senior U.S. Open winner, and Edwards, the 2012 USBC Senior Masters winner, also remain active - and competitive — on the PBA Tour, along with other 50-plus members.

On the PBA50 Tour eligibility horizon are PBA Hall-of-Famers Pete Weber (Aug. 21), Parker Bohn III (July 13, 2013) and ESPN analyst Randy Pedersen (turned 50 on May 28). Also on the list of future PBA50 competitors are PBA Tour champions Jack Jurek (April 23), Chris Warren (Aug. 27, 2013), David Traber (Jan. 18) and Robert Lawrence (Sept. 29).

The ultimate example of a player having concurrent success on both Tours came two seasons ago when PBA Hall of Famer and all-time Tour career titles leader Walter Ray Williams Jr. made an immediate impact in the senior ranks, winning in his first tournament and going on to earn Senior Rookie of the Year honors. And during the 2009-10 PBA Tour season, at age 50, Williams became the oldest player in any major sport to earn Player of the Year honors.

This season, at the age of 52, he is the favorite to win his first PBA Senior Player of the Year title to go along with his record seven Chris Schenkel PBA Player of the Year awards.

The 50-plus program also produced previously-undiscovered talent in years past, when highly-talented bowlers who never had a chance to bowl as PBA Tour players reached the age where they could retire and give PBA-level competition a try. Most prominent among that group are Gene Stus, who earned his place in the PBA Hall of Fame as a senior champion, Bob Glass, a three-time PBA Senior Tour Player of the Year, and two-time Senior Player of the Year Ron Mohr.

“There are plenty of good bowlers who are becoming eligible and successful on the Senior Tour each year,” Williams said.

Each tournament on the 2013 PBA50 Tour schedule will include the PBA50 moniker along with sponsor affiliation where applicable.

PBA50 also will apply to PBA Regional events that were previously called senior tournaments. The exceptions will be the PBA Senior U.S. Open and United States Bowling Congress Senior Masters which will retain their present names.

In the effort to reach out to younger bowlers, earlier this year PBA introduced the new PBA24 membership program which invites new players 24 years of age and younger to experience PBA competition for a \$49 membership fee.

The 2013 PBA50 Tour schedule will be released later this fall.

On the PBA50 Tour eligibility horizon are PBA Hall-of-Famers Pete Weber, Parker Bohn III and ESPN analyst Randy Pedersen. Also on the list of future PBA50 competitors are PBA Tour champions Jack Jurek, Chris Warren, David Traber and Robert Lawrence.

HOW TO MAKE THOSE LEFT SIDE SPARES

TIPS FROM THE PROS



By **CHERYL DANIELS**

Member of the
Professional Women's
Bowling Association

• THIS COLUMN's tip is about a common flaw committed by beginning and high average bowlers.

When leaving a spare left of center such as a 2-pin, 4-pin, 7-pin, we are taught to move to the right of our strike starting position to cover our spare. The further left the spare is the further to the right we will stand to cover it.

One of the most effective spare systems is the 3-6-9 spare system. You make your adjustments from your strike starting position. For the 2-pin, you would count three boards

to the right from the strike starting point.

For the 4-pin you would count six boards to the right from the strike starting point. For the 7-pin you would count nine boards to the right of your strike starting point. Remember to aim two to three boards left of your strike target.

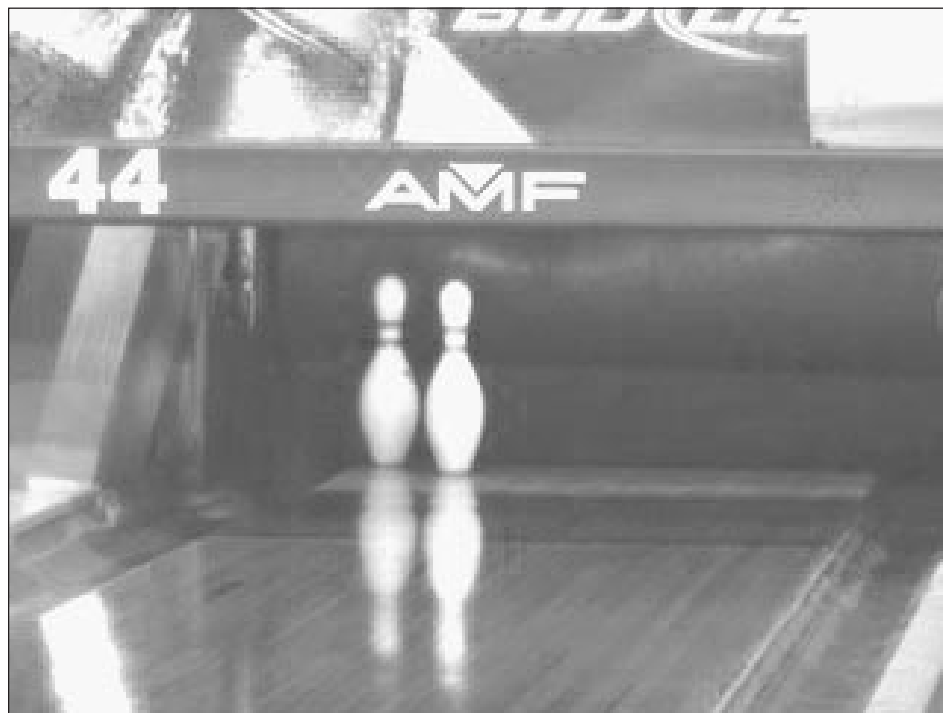
The biggest mistake I see bowlers make when shooting left side spares is that they fail to walk left on a slight diagonal line toward their target. You must think of your body pivoting toward your spare line or target line.

When you shoot a 7-pin and you walk left towards your spare your body will not be square to the foul line. If you try to walk straight and finish square to the foul line you will have to pull the ball across your body because you will not be square to your spare line (target line).

If I stand on the 17th board to cover my 2-pin spare I will finish left on the approach from where I start. For a 7-pin, if I start on the 11th board I will walk sometimes seven or eight boards left on a diagonal and finish on the 18th or 19th board.

Practice pivoting your body toward your spare and walking on a diagonal left and your left side spare shooting will greatly improve.

◆ *Send Questions to Cheryl Daniels, P. O. Box 252, Novi, MI 48376 or e-mail me at "shebe@freeway.net" or visit my website at www.cheryldaniels.com.*



Amleto Monacelli Selected as 2012 PBA Senior 'Rookie of the Year'

SEATTLE (Sept. 7, 2012) — Professional Bowlers Association Hall of Famer Amleto Monacelli, a two-time Player of the Year on the PBA Tour, was selected as the 2012 PBA Senior Rookie of the Year, becoming the first international player to earn the award.

The 51-year-old native of Venezuela also became the first international player to win the Etonic Senior U.S. Open last June when he defeated fellow Hall of Famer and 2012 Senior Player of the Year Walter Ray Williams Jr., 255-247, in the championship match at the Suncoast Bowling Center in Las Vegas.

He also finished third in the United States Bowling Congress Senior Masters and compiled four other top 20 finishes which included a 10th, 11th, 15th and 19th in his six Senior Tour appearances.

"I quickly found that you still have to be bowling at a top level to do well on the Senior Tour," said Monacelli. "The competition was very tough and I feel fortunate to do as well I did in my first year."

During his career on the PBA Tour, Monacelli won 19 titles and was the first foreign-born player to win PBA Player of the Year earning the honor back-to-back in 1989 and 1990. He is the only foreign-born member of the PBA Hall of Fame and was inducted into the USBC Hall of Fame in 2012.

"One of my first impressions of bowling on the Senior Tour was how fast time has gone by," he added. "Bowling with some of the guys I bowled against on Tour brought back a lot of memories."

Also receiving votes for Senior Rookie of the Year were Bob Learn Jr., Mike Edwards and Lennie Boersch who each won one title during the season, and Bryan Goebel, Rick Minier, Paul McCordic, Joel Carlson, Brian Cooper, Randy Shewmake and Todd Kjell.

Hall-of-Famer Dave Soutar of Bradenton, Fla., who retired after more than 50 years of competing on the PBA Tour and Senior Tour, was voted the winner of the Senior Tour's Dick Weber Sportsmanship Award.

In a career that started in 1961, Soutar won 18 titles on the PBA Tour and seven on the Senior Tour and becomes the first player to win sportsmanship awards from both Tours. He earned the PBA Tour's Steve Nagy Sportsmanship Award winner in 1970.

"I've always respected my competitors and felt that if someone beat me they bowled better than I did and they did the job they were supposed to do," said the 72-year-old Soutar, who bowled in a record 259 Senior Tour tournaments. "I've always been pretty low key. If I got beat or wasn't bowling well I usually directed my anger at myself and not my opponents."

The Senior Rookie of the Year award was voted on by PBA members and selected bowling writers while the Sportsmanship award was voted on by Senior Tour players.

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Larry Walker Wins 10th Michigan Majors Title at Royal Scot Lanes

• LARRY WALKER, a Michigan Majors Hall-of-Famer, won his 10th Budweiser MMBA title at Royal Scot Lanes in Lansing. Walker did not have an easy course. He had to first defeat fellow Hall-of-Famer, Dale Hofmeister and the No. 1 seed Jason Rasinske.



By KEN CHARRETTE
Member of the Greater Detroit Bowling Hall of Fame

Rasinske paced the 84 qualifiers with a six-game 1467 score. There were two 300 games in the qualifying round by George Juszcyk and Rick Zohott.

Hofmeister started slowly in the opening stepladder match with an open in his second frame. Dale then strung five strikes, spare, four strikes for a 247-179 win over Nick Kokenos.

Juszcyk never did get untracked, which is not good against Hofmeister. Dale had an easy win, 235-174.

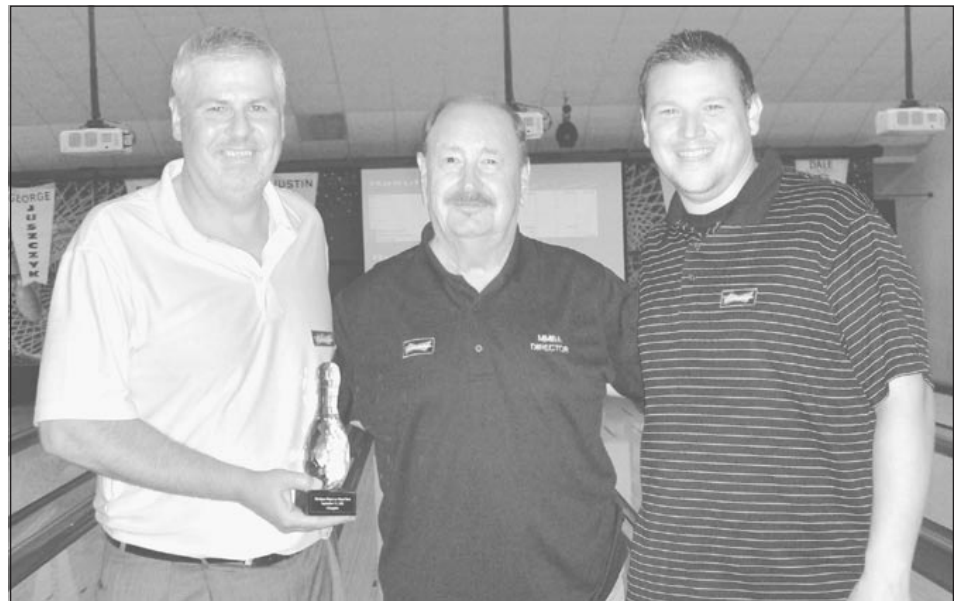
The semi-final was different. Hofmeister started strong with three strikes. He then ran into a wide open five-pin split. Walker jumped all over the break with two strikes for a 20-pin lead. Walker hung on for a 238-208 win. Hofmeister, seeking his all-time 20th win, had to settle for third place.

Walker was looking for a tough championship match that never materialized. Rasinske, who threw many strings of strikes in the qualifying, started with an open frame and never could put together two strikes. Walker had an easy 246-180 win for his 10th title.

Walker said, "This was my goal to win double digit titles. I was just telling my wife, 'I may have to quit. I have been bowling bad and hadn't won in eight months.' Then I win a senior title last week and now my 10th today."
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• THE FINAL standings at Royal Scot Lanes: Larry Walker (Garden City) \$1,100, Jason Rasinske (Diamondale) \$800, Dale Hofmeister (Essexville) \$600, George Juszcyk (Dearborn Hgts.) \$500, Nick Kokenos (St. Clair Shores) \$400, Abed Daher (Dearborn) \$300, Chris Nielson (Livonia) \$250, Rick Zohott (Eaton Rapids) \$240, Ken Wyatt (Sterling Hgts.) \$230, Randy Warnken (Clinton Twp.) \$220, Mason Brantley (Detroit) \$210, Tony Harger (Flint) \$200, Ryan Stickler (Schenectady) \$170, Mike Norris Jr. (Melvindale) \$160, Carleton Chambers (Detroit) \$150, Todd Sim (Belle River) \$140, Josh Chaney (Hazel Park) \$130, Ed Burbo (South Rockwood) \$120, Andrew Anderson (Holly) \$115, Glenn Pilon (Farmington Hills) \$110, Rick Gregor (Sterling Hgts.) \$105, Frank Snodgrass (Warren) \$100.
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• THE NEXT tournament is Saturday, Oct. 20 at Bay Lanes in Bay City. Contact the Budweiser Michigan Majors at 21317 Frazho, St. Clair Shores, MI 48081, or call (586) 775-2414. Also, visit the official web site at <http://www.michiganmajors.com>.



• FROM LEFT: Royal Scot Lanes champion Larry Walker, MMBA Tournament Director Lou Ivancik, tournament runner-up Jason Rasinske.

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Date	Bowling Center	Time
Feb. 25	300 Bowl - (over/under 50)	12:30
Mar. 24	Bowl One Lanes	12:30
Apr. 14	Cherry Hill Lanes - Mixed	12:30
Sept. 29	Plaza Lanes	12:30
Oct. 13	Pampa Lanes	12:30
Oct. 27	Cherry Hill Lanes	12:30
Nov. 24	5 Star Lanes - (over/under 50)	1:00
Dec. 22	Merri Bowl Lanes (Grand Finals)	12:30

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Detroit Bowling Hall of Fame Adds Six New Members for 2012-13

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the Michigan WBA Star of Tomorrow award and the Women's International Bowling Congress Alberta E. Crowe Star of Tomorrow award in 1996.

Once in the adult ranks, she amassed five Michigan State Women's titles (four in team event and one in doubles), 13 Detroit Women's titles (seven team, three doubles, two singles and one all-events crown), and three Detroit Queens titles. Eight times she has been named to the Detroit All-City team — five first team and three second team honors. Three times she has been named captain of the all-city team.

Michelle's high career average is 232. She has 21 300 games and five 800 series with 823 as her high.

David Ewald also began his stellar career at a young age. As Michelle Ewald's younger brother, he won 12 Michigan Junior Masters Association (MJMA) titles and eight Junior Tournament Bowling Association of Ohio (JTBA) titles. He was named Bowler of the Year in both associations in 1997.

Ewald has two American Bowling Congress/United States Bowling Congress titles as a member of the winning team in 2004 and the team which won the team all-events title in 2012. He holds a lifetime ABC/USBC average of 215.8 for 135 games.

He has won three Michigan State titles

(doubles in 2001 and 2010 with Nick Wissinger and team event in 2011). The doubles title in 2001 still stands as the state record with 1,628.

Ewald has seven Detroit city titles (six team events and one doubles). His Detroit Masters record is exemplary with a title in 2006 and four other finishes in the top three.

Ten times he's been named to the Detroit All-City team — eight times on the first team and twice on the second team. Five times he's been named captain.

Ewald has four Michigan Majors Bowling Association titles.

He holds the high all-time Detroit average record with 250 in the 2005-06 season, has 70 300 games and 48 800 series with an 879 high.

Clemence twice won the Greater Detroit Bowling Association (GDBA) Masters (1985 and 1991). He also won the GDBA Doubles in 1985. He was named to the Detroit All-City team three times (1985, 1989 and 1991) and was captain in 1985.

In 1989 he was on the winning American Bowling Congress team and has an ABC tournament lifetime average of 201 for 19 years. Clemence also has a 300 game in ABC tournament competition.

Twice Clemence won the Michigan Majors Bowling Association championship tournament.

His high average is 238 and he owns 31



• **THE DETROIT Bowling Hall of Fame's Class of 2012-13** — Top row (from left): Michelle Ewald, David Ewald, Michael Clemence. Bottom row (from left): Rick Capaldi, Randy Shank, Mark Voight.

300 games and 28 800 series.

Capaldi's bowling career came alive as he became a senior. Always a solid performer on the lanes, his tournament titles started to flourish as he became more experienced.

He operates Oak Lanes in Westland, but continues to bowl as much as possible.

Three times he's been named to the Detroit Senior All-City team (2003, 2004 and 2012). In 2010 he prevailed in the Metro Detroit USBC Association (MDUSBC) Super Senior Masters, an elite event for players over 60. Just to prove that he couldn't just prevail over fellow senior bowlers, (Continued on Page 11)

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Capaldi won the MDUSBC Masters in 2012 against the best bowlers the association has to offer.

In 2006 he won two National Senior Bowling Association (NSBA) titles.

Nationally, he's bowled in 27 American Bowling Congress / United States Bowling Congress tournaments, averaging 191.

Capaldi's high average is 232. He has six 300 games and five 800 series.

Shank is a tireless supporter of the sport of bowling as proprietor of Sunnybrook Lanes in Sterling Heights .

Under his leadership, Sunnybrook Lanes has hosted many United States Bowling Congress and professional bowling events including the 2003 United States Women's Open, the U.S. Senior Open in 2004 and 2005, 2008 USBC Junior Gold Championships, Professional Bowlers Association regional and senior regional events, Michigan Junior Masters Association events, and Michigan High School bowling regional and state finals events.

His center has been a leader in promoting Sport Bowling and Sunnybrook Lanes ranks among the leaders in USBC Certified youth bowlers in Michigan .

Shank has served faithfully on the Southeast Michigan Bowling Centers Association board of directors, Bowling Centers Association of Michigan board of directors and most recently was elected to the Bowling Proprietors Association of America board of directors.

He is very active with his customers and goes out of his way to satisfy his customers.

Voight and his wife Diane, as owners of Community Bowling Centers, built the third largest chain of bowling centers behind AMF and Brunswick. Their first center in the Detroit market was Satellite Bowl in Dearborn Heights, an 84-lane center.

Over the years their company has been a great supporter of local, state and national

bowling tournaments including the Ladies Professional Bowling Tour and the Professional Bowlers Association. Other tournament highlights include the 2008 United States Bowling Congress Women's Championship Tournament, 2008 USBC Junior Gold Championships, 2008 USBC Youth Open Championships, 2009 NCAA Women's Championships, the inaugural NFL Super Bowl Charity Fundraiser in 2006, and numerous TNBA tournaments.

Their support of high school bowling in Michigan earned Voight a place in the Michigan State High School Bowling Coaches Hall of Fame. He also has been active in many local, state and national bowling trade organizations. He served as President of the Multi Unit Bowling Information Group, President of the Southeast Michigan Bowling Centers Association, Chairman of the Finance Committee for the Bowling Centers Association of Michigan, Chairman of the Audit Committee for the Bowling Proprietors Association of America and has served on many other committees. Recently he was honored with the BPAA President's Award.

Libbi Fletcher will be honored with the Thomas W. McKay Award for a lifetime of service to the sport of bowling.

Aileen Hnidy will receive the Judge Watts Award for making outstanding contributions to the promotion of bowling.

Vicki Ingham will receive the George Prybyla Industry Award, presented for someone involved in the ownership or management of a bowling center that has contributed to the promotion of the sport.

Induction ceremonies will take place Sunday, Oct. 14, 2012 at DeCarlo's Banquet and Convention Center (6015 E. Ten Mile Rd.) in Warren. Cocktails will be served at 4 p.m., dinner at 5 p.m. with ceremonies to follow. Tickets are \$30 each and can be purchased through the MDUSBC office at (888) 753-6350, ext. 104.

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- 1964-65 — Clara Allen, John P. Gavie, Joseph F. Paulus, John Stroh.
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- 1966-67 — Otto Auch, Elvira Toepfer, George Young.
- 1967-68 — Charles Roberts, Anita Cantaline, Robert Menninger.
- 1968-69 — Eddie Lubanski, Ethel Heenan, Augie Jankowsky.
- 1969-70 — Tony Lindemann, Maxine Cruchon, Bill Williams, Therman Gibson.
- 1970-71 — No Selections Made.
- 1971-72 — Bob Strampe, Jim Tropea, Ann Setlock, Tom Haley.
- 1972-73 — Charles Kotarski, Ruth Johnson, Phil Bauman.
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- 1975-76 — Herb Fach, Steve Morris, Bill Rhodman, Gertrude Schuster, Doris Knechtges.
- 1976-77 — Henry Gavie, Cass Schlaff, Dorothy Aldred, Ed Browalski, Fred Smith.
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- 1978-79 — John Ruggiero, Edna (Dalton) Pikulinski, Norm White.
- 1979-80 — Bob Kwolek, Tom McKay, George Prybyla, Marie Shamlock, Marian Gorman.
- 1980-81 — Dave Soutar, Henry "Hank" Gniewek, Lafayette Allen Jr., Dorothy (Merchant) Brichta, Ann (Wells) Constantine.
- 1981-82 — Bill Williams, Cora Fiebig, Jim Pantazides.
- 1982-83 — No Selections Made.
- 1983-84 — No Selections Made.
- 1984-85 — Bob Hitt, Lois (Hoffman) McAllister, Cass Sicilia, Pete Carter.
- 1985-86 — Joe Joseph, Chuck O'Donnell, Lee Jouglard, Ken Charrette.
- 1986-87 — Bob Crawford, Kathy Haislip, Bonnie McKay, Rose Marsh.
- 1987-88 — No Selections Made.
- 1988-89 — Penny Behn, Gerry Ritter, Bob Hart, John Chmelko, Pat Iannucci, Frank Zion, Leonard Dettloff.
- 1989-90 — Helen Weston, Al Winkel, Bernie Kennedy, Tony Novak, Federico (Fred) Vitali.
- 1990-91 — Margaret Lewis, Terry Grant, James Bennett, Harry Campbell, Bob Kwiecien, Judge Richard Maher.
- 1991-92 — Yvonne Barnes, Bob Chamberlain, Jack Born, Bob Goike Sr., Bob Wissmuller.
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- 2000-01 — Carmeletha Allen, Marilyn Frederick, David Bernhardt, Warren Teubert.
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- 2002-03 — Carol Gaddis, Harry Sullins, John Bennett, Doug Evans, Ed Wright.
- 2003-04 — Crystal Trombley, Lee Snow, Ron Byrd, Mark Martin.
- 2004-05 — Jeanne Gebbia, Tony DaDeppo, Ray Williams, Myrtha Cooper.
- 2005-06 — Altramese "Mickey" Webb, Douglas Spicer, Nicholas Wissenger III, Richard Lang, Janet Dimmer, Larry Crake Sr.
- 2006-07 — Tina Mikolowski, Richard Eiermann, Robert Briarton, Robert Schumacher.
- 2007-08 — Virginia Austin, Carol Davis, Quintin Greene, George (Mike) Lee, Alvin Harrison, George Zainea.
- 2008-09 — Lisa Bishop, Jeffrey Austreng, Kenneth Wyatt, Robert Stempien, Margaret "Libbi" Fletcher.
- 2009-10 — Betty Trimper, Jerome Penxa Jr., David Tulak, Edwin Austreng, Harley Trumbull Jr., Joe Guotana, Janet Willson.
- 2010-11 — Novella Daniels, Mark Moore, Jerry Owczarski, Paul Stuart
- 2011-12 — Nicole Idziak-Owsley, Kerry Kreft, Joseph Krajenke, Roy Biggs, Dolores Skorski
- 2012-13 — Michelle Ewald, David Ewald, Michael Clemence, Rick Capaldi, Randy Shank, Mark Voight

Plaza Lanes Breaks All-Star Record for Team Series at Wayne Bowl

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tial Pro Shop took two out of three from Storm Products/Thunderbowl Lanes. The entire league averaged 231.46 as on this Thursday night Wayne Bowl gave it up big. There were far too many 700 sets to publish at this writing.

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- IN THE opening night last week on Sept. 6 Jeff Roche, after a year's absence from the Classic, got it kick started with a 300 game. As a side note, Plaza Lanes' 3828 is the second highest score in the Greater Detroit Association.

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- THE NEXT two weeks the All-Star Classic will visit Cherry Hill North in Clarkston on Sept. 23 at 7:30 p.m. and Country Lanes on Sept. 27 at 9:30 p.m. We are still looking for one more team to add to the Classic.

If you know of anybody, contact me immediately. Why don't you make plans to witness the best teams in Michigan compete every Thursday evening?

PBA Unveils New Regional Series for 2012-2013 Season

SEATTLE — The Professional Bowlers Association has created a new PBA Regional Players Invitational series for the 2012-13 season that will give all PBA members an opportunity to qualify for a prestigious new regional championship event closer to home, PBA Commissioner Tom Clark announced.

The new tournament series, which will be conducted in the PBA's East, South, Central, Midwest, Southwest and joint West-Northwest Regions, will provide dozens of top regional players with international media exposure because all six events will be webcast live, exclusively on PBA's online bowling channel, Xtra Frame.

Each of the six RPIs also will offer prize funds in excess of \$25,000, including \$6,000 to each winner and a 1:2 payout ratio, and the winner of each will win a paid entry into the 2013 PBA World Series of Bowling.

"In a typical year, the PBA conducts roughly 170 regional tournaments throughout its seven regions, ranging from New England to Hawaii," John Weber, Director of Regional and Senior Tours, said. "In years past, the PBA has conducted two national championship events specifically for regional players — a PBA Regional Players Championship and a PBA Regional Players Invitational.

"We have found, in our changing economic climate, that regional players are having an increasingly difficult time traveling

cross-country to attend those national events," Weber added. "The new RPI program addresses that problem by providing our members with signature tournaments that are more affordable and more easily accessible, but still retain special levels of exclusivity and prestige that will reward performance."

Since the late 1960s, the PBA Regional program has been the proving ground for hundreds of young players who aspire to become the future stars of the PBA Tour, and it continues to provide an affordable, close-to-home competitive arena for many others who love to compete but who are involved in careers other than professional bowling.

"The new RPI series also will provide PBA's Xtra Frame subscribers with the added value of bonus coverage featuring both current and future stars in professional bowling," Clark noted. "This is a level of competition never before available to the general public, but because of Xtra Frame's online reach, it's going to be a great addition to the PBA program for players and fans alike."

In order to qualify for their home area RPI, players will be required to qualify among the top 48 in competition points within their own regions during a season-long points race.

Here's how the new Regional Players Invitational program will work:

- Within the five standard regions, PBA members who reside within the region and finish 1-15 in the seasonal competition points standings will receive an invitation and free entry into the end-of-season RPI for their home region. Players who finish 16-32 on the points list are invited, but must pay a \$220 entry fee.

- The next 16 spots will go to players on the points list who have participated in a minimum of 50 percent of the region's tournaments during the year. If any spots remain open, invitations will be extended based upon players' rankings on their home region's points list.

- PBA members living outside of the United States will be eligible based upon their participation in events within any given region. The "home region" residency rule will be waived for international players. If international non-residents bowl in more than one region, they will be required to designate the RPI they wish to enter by July 15, 2013.

- Special rules will apply to the joint West-Northwest RPI. West Region points leaders 1-10 and Northwest Region points leaders 1-5 will earn the free entries. West Region leaders 11-23 and Northwest Region points leaders 6-9 will be eligible for the \$220 entry positions. The balance of the field will be offered to the next 12 West Region and next four Northwest Region players who meet the 50 percent participation rule.

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- The new RPI program will be open to all PBA members: touring players, senior/PBA50 members, regional members, PBA24 members and PBA International members. Players will only be eligible to participate in one RPI. RPI points qualifying will begin on Sept. 1, 2012, and end on July 15, 2013. The RPIs will be held between August and October, 2013. Dates and locations will be announced later.

- Each RPI will consist of a Friday program and two six-game qualifying rounds on Saturday. The top 16 qualifiers will advance to three rounds of best-of-five-game elimination matches and two rounds of one-game eliminations on Sunday. Saturday's top four qualifiers will earn two bye rounds and qualifiers five through eight will earn one bye round.

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